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Relief to handloom weavers under Ryan Scheme.

* 230 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) how much money has been spent in the State for the handloom weavers as relief under Ryan Scheme;

(*b*) how many societies were benefited; and

(**c**) how many societies did not?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) A sum of Rs. 1·13 lakhs has been disbursed to handloom weavers as loan towards their share capital required for joining the Primary Weavers' Co-operative Societies as members. Co-operative Central Banks have advanced a sum of Rs. 16·83 lakhs to the Primary Weavers Co-operative Societies which are working the scheme for the purchase of yarn and payment of wages. The Government have guaranteed the repayment of the advance. The Government have also guaranteed to make good the ultimate business losses of the societies arising out of the working of the scheme.

" (*b*) 138 societies were benefited.

" (*c*) 402 societies did not join the scheme and consequently did not benefit."

SRI N. K. PALANISWAMI :—" ராயன் ஸ்கீம் பிரகாரம் சொசைடிகளில் பங்கு போடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. நஷ்டத்தில் நடத்தப்பட்டு வருகின்ற சொசைடிகள் மூடப்படும் நிலையில் இருக்கின்றன. ஆகையால் கடனுக பங்கு போட்டிருக்கும் பணத்தை ரத்து செய்யுமா அல்லது அந்த சொசைடிகளுக்கு ஏற்பட்டிருக்கக்கூடிய நஷ்டம் போக மீதியை வசூல் செய்ய ஏற்பாடு செய்யுமா ?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" All weavers will be given an interest-free advance of Rs. 25 which will be recovered in twelve monthly instalments. I do not think that any hardship would be caused to any weaver by this."

SRI K. SRIDHARAN :—" Is it a fact that under the scheme no weaver in Malabar is benefited? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" As I said on a previous occasion the factory owners and weavers according to the information we have received have come into some agreement with reference to the Ryan Scheme."

SRI N. K. PALANISWAMI :—" ரயான் திட்டப் பிரகாரம் நெசவாளி ஒன்றுக்கு பொந்துக்கு ஆறு அணு வீதம் சொசைடிகள் கொடுத்திருக்கின்றன. அது பிரயோஜனப்படுமா ? எத்தனை சொசைடிகள் அவ்வாறு கொடுத்து பிரயோஜனப்பட்டிருக்கிறது ?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" It is not correct to say that the wage level is six annas. It is six annas or whatever wage level is in the locality. It is 4 annas in some places fixed. With regard to the total number asked for by the hon. Member, I would like a separate question to be put."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Questions over."